

Bureau of Health Care Quality & Compliance

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H 00	<p><b>INITIAL COMMENTS</b></p> <p>This Statement of Deficiencies was generated as the result of a State licensure survey conducted at your agency on 7/24/08 through 7/25/08. The State licensure survey was conducted in conjunction with the Medicare recertification survey.</p> <p>The findings and conclusions of any investigation by the Health Division shall not be construed as prohibiting any criminal or civil investigations, actions, or other claims for relief that may be available to any party under applicable federal, state or local laws.</p> <p>The state license survey was conducted in accordance with Chapter 449, Home Health Agencies, adopted by the State Board of Health November 28, 1973, last amended November 17, 2005.</p> <p>The following regulatory deficiencies were identified:</p> <p>NRS 449.179 Initial and periodic investigations of criminal history of employee or independent contractor of certain agency or facility.</p> <p>1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, within 10 days after hiring an employee or entering into a contract with an independent contractor, the administrator of , or the person licensed to operate, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing or a residential facility for groups shall:</p> <p>(a) Obtain a written statement from the employee or independent contractor stating whether he has been convicted of any crime listed in NRS 449.188;</p>	H 00		

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H 00	Continued From page 1  (b) Obtain an oral and written confirmation of the information contained in the written statement obtained pursuant to paragraph (a); (c) Obtain from the employee or independent contractor two sets of fingerprints and a written authorization to forward the fingerprints to the central repository for Nevada records of criminal history for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report; and (d) Submit to the central repository for Nevada records of criminal history the fingerprints obtained pursuant to paragraph (c). 2. The administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing or a residential facility for groups is not required to obtain the information described in subsection 1 from an employee or independent contractor who provides proof that an investigation of his criminal history has been conducted by the central repository for Nevada records of criminal history within the immediately preceding 6 months and the investigation did not indicate that the employee or independent contractor has been convicted of any crime set forth in NRS 449.188. 3. The administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing or a residential facility for groups shall ensure that the criminal history of each employee or independent contractor who works at the agency or facility is investigated at once every 5 years. The administrator or person shall: (a) If the agency or facility does not have the fingerprints of the employee or independent contractor on file, obtain two sets of fingerprints from the employee or independent contractor; (b) Obtain written authorization from the employee or independent contractor to forward	H 00		

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H 00	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>the fingerprints on file or obtained pursuant to paragraph (a) to the central repository for Nevada records of criminal history for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report; and (c) Submit the fingerprints to the central repository for Nevada records for criminal history.</p> <p>NRS 449.185 Termination of employment or contract of employee or independent contractor of certain agency or facility who has been convicted of certain crime; liability of agency or facility.</p> <p>1. Upon receiving information from the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History pursuant to NRS 449.179, or evidence from any other source, that an employee or independent contractor of an agency to provide nursing in the home, a faculty for intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing or a residential facility for groups has been convicted of a crime listed in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 449.188, the administrator of, or the person licensed to operate the agency or facility shall terminate the employment or contract of that person after allowing him time to correct the information as required pursuant to subsection 2.</p> <p>Based on personnel record review, the agency failed to ensure the criminal background history results for 2 of 5 sampled employees (#1, #5).</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>There was no documented evidence to ensure Employee #1 and #5 had criminal background results from the Central Repository for Nevada.</p> <p>Severity: 2      Scope: 2</p>	H 00		

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H149	Continued From page 3	H149		
H149	449.782 Personnel Policies  A home health agency shall establish written policies concerning the qualification, responsibilities and conditions of employment for each type of personnel, including licensure if required by law. The written policies must be reviewed as needed and made available to the members of the staff and the advisory groups. The personnel policies must provide for: 3. The orientation of all health personnel to the policies and objectives of the agency, training while on the job, and contributing education; This Regulation is not met as evidenced by: Based on personnel record review, the agency failed to ensure their health personnel were oriented to the policies and objectives of the agency for 4 of 5 employees in the sample. (#1, #2, #4, #5)  Findings include:  Personnel record review revealed there was no documented evidence to ensure an orientation to the policies and objectives of the agency was provided to Employees #1, #2, #4, and #5.  Severity: 1 Scope: 3	H149		
H151	449.782 Personnel Policies  A home health agency shall establish written policies concerning the qualification, responsibilities and conditions of employment for each type of personnel, including licensure if required by law. The written policies must be reviewed as needed and made available to the members of the staff and the advisory groups. The personnel policies must provide for: 5. Job descriptions for each category of	H151		

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H151	Continued From page 4  personnel which are specific and include the type of activity each may carry out; This Regulation is not met as evidenced by: Based on personnel record review, the agency failed to ensure a job description was available for review for 4 of 5 sampled employees (#1, #2, #4, #5).  Findings include:  There was no documented evidence to verify Employees #1, #2, #4, and #5 had job descriptions available for review.  Severity: 1    Scope: 3	H151			
H153	449.782 Personnel Policies  A home health agency shall establish written policies concerning the qualification, responsibilities and conditions of employment for each type of personnel, including licensure if required by law. The written policies must be reviewed as needed and made available to the members of the staff and the advisory groups. The personnel policies must provide for: 7. The annual testing of all employees who have contact with patients for tuberculosis pursuant to NAC 441A.375; and  This Regulation is not met as evidenced by: Based on review of the personnel records, the agency failed to ensure compliance with NAC 441A.375 for tuberculosis screening test and pre-employment physical examination to the employees in 3 of 5 cases. (#2, #3, #5)  Findings include:  Sec. 10. NAC 441A.375 is hereby amended to	H153			

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H153	Continued From page 5  read as follows: 441A.375 1. A case having tuberculosis or suspected case considered to have tuberculosis in a medical facility or a facility for the dependent must be managed in accordance with the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200. 2. A medical facility, a facility for the dependent or a home for individual residential care shall maintain surveillance of employees of the facility or home for tuberculosis and tuberculosis infection. The surveillance of employees must be conducted in accordance with the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for preventing the transmission of tuberculosis in facilities providing health care set forth in the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200. 3. Before initial employment, a person employed in a medical facility, a facility for the dependent or a home for individual residential care shall have a: (a) Physical examination or certification from a licensed physician that the person is in a state of good health, is free from active tuberculosis and any other communicable disease in a contagious stage; and (b) Tuberculosis screening test within the preceding 12 months, including persons with a history of bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG) vaccination. If the employee has only completed the first step of a 2-step Mantoux tuberculin skin test within the preceding 12 months, then the second step of the 2-step Mantoux tuberculin skin test or other single-step tuberculosis screening test must be administered. A single annual tuberculosis	H153			

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H153	<p>Continued From page 6</p> <p>screening test must be administered thereafter, unless the medical director of the facility or his designee or another licensed physician determines that the risk of exposure is appropriate for a lesser frequency of testing and documents that determination. The risk of exposure and corresponding frequency of examination must be determined by following the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200.</p> <p>4. An employee with a documented history of a positive tuberculosis screening test is exempt from screening with skin tests or chest radiographs unless he develops symptoms suggestive of tuberculosis.</p> <p>5. A person who demonstrates a positive tuberculosis screening test administered pursuant to subsection 3 shall submit to a chest radiograph and medical evaluation for active tuberculosis.</p> <p>6. Counseling and preventive treatment must be offered to a person with a positive tuberculosis screening test in accordance with the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (g) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200.</p> <p>7. A medical facility shall maintain surveillance of employees for the development of pulmonary symptoms. A person with a history of tuberculosis or a positive tuberculosis screening test shall report promptly to the infection control specialist, if any, or to the director or other person in charge of the medical facility if the medical facility has not designated an infection control specialist, when any pulmonary symptoms develop. If symptoms of tuberculosis are present, the employee shall be evaluated for tuberculosis.</p> <p>Based on personnel record review, the agency</p>	H153		

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H153	<p>Continued From page 7</p> <p>failed to ensure compliance with chapter 441A of Nevada Administrative Code for 3 of 5 employees (#2, #3, #5).</p> <p>Findings include:</p> <p>Review of the personnel records revealed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The records of Employees #2, #3, #5 lacked documented evidence of a tuberculosis screening test.</li> <li>- The record of Employee #5 lacked documented evidence of a pre-employment physical examination.</li> </ul> <p>Severity: 1    Scope: 3</p>	H153			

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